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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations,
Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing
and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations,
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and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Foundation Communities/Mary Lee Campus Redevelopment in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Foundation Communities (FC), located at 3000 S. I-H 35, Ste 300, Austin, Texas 78704.

The funding would be used to support the creation and building of affordable housing on the 8-acre Mary Lee Foundation (MLF) site.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the building will serve MLF and their mission-driven objectives, namely housing for their clients, many of whom have intellectual disabilities, plus rehab/services/office space that will accommodate additional clients who live in MLF's other supportive sites. The building will also serve as FC housing under their services-enriched model (health supports, case management, 24-hour staffing). Because FC houses a vulnerable population and their mission is to create housing where individuals and families succeed, of necessity their communities include a variety of supportive and community spaces—places for education, rehabilitation, programming, green and recreational spaces—that will accommodate a wide variety of residents' needs, facilitate building community, and in this case, will make this campus a true home for more than 600 people.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Doggett